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## **Environment Department Encourages Public Comment on Discharge Permit** with Meeting in Taos

(Santa Fe, NM) – The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is seeking public comment on a draft discharge permit for the Alta Vista Subdivision in Taos. A public meeting on this issue will be held on Monday, July 11 from 6 to 8 pm at the Juan I. Gonzalez Agricultural Center 202 Chamisa Road in Taos.

The facility is located on Santistevan Road, approximately 2.5 miles west of the Highway 64/Highway 522 junction, approximately 3 miles northwest of El Prado, in Taos County. The Alta Vista Subdivision includes 10 trailer homes on 1.7 acres of land. The ground water discharge permit will cover sewage discharge from this facility. Depth to ground water at this site is 270 feet.

NMED is also accepting formal written comments on this draft discharge permit through July 30. To submit written comments or to receive a copy of the draft permit please contact Megan Nelson with the NMED Ground Water Quality Bureau at (505) 827-9669.

Persons having a disability and needing help in being a part of this public meeting process should contact Judy Bentley at the New Mexico Environment Department, Personnel Services Bureau, P.O. Box 26110, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87502, telephone 505-827-9872. TDY users please access her number via the New Mexico Relay Network at 1-800-659-8331.

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